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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer that has made the choice to use a smaller local ISP for my internet after years of doing business with both AT&T and Comcast. I made the switch because their prices and service are superior to the same speed connections I could get with AT&T. They even include phone service at no additional cost. I was really tired of dealing with the terrible customer service of the big companies like AT&T and Comcast, but I have had nothing but great service with Sonic, my local provider. This competition by the local ISPs is crucial to keep the big providers in check.

Please do not let the price hikes destroy my ISP. Please do not approve the US Telecom petition.

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